

the approval of the convention, and they were unanimously elected.

The committee to recommend delegates to the congressional convention reported the names of—

Delegates.
J F Reed
Mason Reed
Wm Pool
Dr Blanchard
Henry Parr
Martin Fishery
Oto Kuschbach
Jas Glynn
F W Eades
H Bellinghausen
Chas L Hoffman
Timothy Johns
M O'Laughlin
J R Shaver
D Heenan
M N Armstrong
J M Welch
Nels Nelson

Alternates.
Geo H Haight
F E Hoberg
C H R Thomas
Jos Burkart
Lewis Waldorf
S N Gilbert
Al Malerhofer
M J Fishery
D L Donovan
P Cummings
P Barton
F Eells
Frank Zinck
Joe Schoenlaker
T C Treanor
A E Heuser
Samuel Grove
James McQuade

This is also a very representative and well selected delegation and met the unanimous approval of the convention.

Hon. J. C. Campbell, of Streator, a member of the State Central Committee, addressed the delegates upon the formation of a county central committee. Mr. Campbell said that in order to secure perfect organization and get out the entire vote of the party, a vote which with the silent vote, which no man dares to attempt to estimate, would carry the State of Illinois at the end of the campaign, it was necessary that a report of the political status of each township be made at the end of every 30 days, to the county central committee of the several counties. This could only be accomplished by forming the central committee of one member from each township, the whole 37 to select an executive committee to supervise all political matters of the county. These men should be the most zealous and most active men in the party, for upon their work depended the result of the campaign.

On motion, the Secretary proceeded to the call of towns, when the remarks of Mr. Campbell had been embodied into a resolution and approved, and the following members of the county central committee were elected by the several township delegations:

Adams—Sam'l Dunavan.
Allen—Dr. Jas McCoy.
Brookfield—P S Thomas.
Bruce—D Heenan and M Mulock.
Eagle—Chas L Hoffman.
Eaton—Chas M Smith.
Eden—Albert Swift.
Fall River—J B Carson.
Farm Ridge—J E McQuinn.
Freedom—C W Bradshaw.
Grand Rapids—Lacey Hibbs.
Hope—J R Lambert.
La Salle—Frank Sweet and Frank O'Brien.
Manlius—D P Cahill.
Mendota—Chas Madden and John Carlton.
Miller—Levy Ke'ler.
Ottawa—Geo W W Blake, J G Armstrong and Thos Richardson.
Peru—J L McCormick and E M Hoberg.
Rutland—Bird Bickford.
Serena—Wallace Dondanville.
So. Ottawa—Geo H Haight.
Utica—J Clear.
Vermillion—J S Ward.
Wallace—F P Dunlevy.

Towns marked with a star were allowed extra members on account of greater population.

Dr. Clendenning read and moved the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, By the Democrats of La Salle county in convention assembled:

That, we are opposed to the laying of a tax so heavy, that it excludes the article taxed, thereby defeating the object of taxation, viz: revenue sufficient for the economical support of the government.

Resolved, That we are opposed to a tax so laid as to draw money from the pockets of the many and put it in the pockets of the few, thereby building up monopolies and trusts.

A vote of thanks was tendered the chair and secretaries for the able and efficient manner in which they had performed their duties, and the convention adjourned sine die.

Social Notes.

Hon. Donat Hollecker, Asst. Supervisor of Ottawa since the time when the memory of man ceaseth to pulsate, reached the sixtieth corner-stone of his existence the other day. The occasion was celebrated by the presence of a number of friends and relatives, and the presentation to the veteran member of the Board of an elegant silver coffee cup and saucer. An elegant repast was spread, ending a very enjoyable occasion.

Miss Mae Miller received a select party of friends at her home on the east side, on Saturday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Burroughs of Morris. Games and various other amusements whiled away a very entertaining evening. Those were present were Misses Florence and Maggie Shaw, Carrie and Mable Fuller, Della Belknap, Sanders, Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. and Miss Hovey. The gentleman who were present were Messrs. Belknap, Charles Dawell, Fred Gay, James Gentleman, Gus Kneuss, W. D. Loucks, Robert Carr and A. J. Williamson.

The High School Lyceum Society gave the last of a very entertaining series of entertainments on Monday evening. A large and intelligent audience was in attendance, and it may safely be said, without reflection upon previous programmes, that the entertainment was the most successful of the year. The Society has worked a great deal of good since its inception, some eight years ago, and while paying the way for easier room work, has given varied and instructive entertainment to scholars and outsiders, demonstrating to the latter the most practical illustration of the school's progress.

Everybody Knows It.
Everybody knows what real clover is. It has been used many years by the good old German women and physicians for the blood, and is known as the best blood purifier when properly prepared. Combined with other medicinal herbs and roots, it forms Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic, which is good for all blood disorders, torpid liver, costiveness and sick headache.

A MAN FROM MILWAUKEE.

Who Claims About Half of Streator on an old Deed, and will Fight for it.

Prof. D. W. Moody of Milwaukee, was in this city on Wednesday and Thursday in the interest of the heirs of Elizabeth Cramer, who at one time owned nearly all of the present site of Streator west of Bloomington street. He is a specialist upon difficult claims, and claims to be well known throughout the country in his business. He drew the original papers in the famous Gonzales claim in Monterey county, Cal., where he succeeded in securing 148,000 acres of land to the claimants, and was in the Sparks case in Ohio.

He was in Streator on Monday and Tuesday, and after looking up his witnesses and after an examination of the records, lays claims to all of that part of Streator lying west of Bloomington street, taking in the Plumb House, gas works, paper mill, bottle works, high school and many business blocks; in all comprising about 400 acres of land, including mines and valuable property worth nearly two millions of dollars!

He is the husband of one of Mrs. Cramer's grandchildren, and made the discovery while talking with his father-in-law, from whom he comes armed with the power of attorney.

The records in the court house show that Elizabeth Cramer came into possession of the lands in question, by a government deed, given on April 19, 1834, and that in 1835, 120 acres of this land was deeded by her, signing with an X, to John Holderman. Since that time the land has been divided and subdivided, until it now comprises about 120 parcels of ground, with about 2,000 transfers, an abstract of which would take the work of an expert four or five days.

Mr. Moody claims to have undeniable proof that the deed, purporting to have been executed in 1835 was a bold forgery, as, according to his statement, Elizabeth Cramer was a fairly well educated woman, and could read and write well; and farther, that she was ill and confined to her bed at the time the deed was executed by the alleged forger. He farther states that the remaining 280 acres were never conveyed by her or her heirs to anybody, but that she had always said taxes upon it, and the parties who later transferred the land to the second owners, had squatted upon it and never owned a foot of the soil.

He is, according to his own statement, a wealthy man, and says that the other four claimants are also persons of wealth, who will push the case to a final termination at all hazards. Two able attorneys in Chicago, and one in Milwaukee, together with Duncan McDougall of this city, to open the case.

If these allegations are proven to be facts, Streator has a case in hand which threatens to make things particularly lively for all hands; for not only does this man claim the lands, but each and every dollar's worth of coal that has been taken from beneath its surface, a sum, which if payment be compelled, will bankrupt every man who calls Streator "home."

The Free Press takes the case in advance and says:

"The title to the property is all straight with the possible exception that there may have been an heir out of a dozen who refused to give power of attorney for the sale of this land at an early day, or there may have been a minor heir who could claim at this time his division of the property. Aside from these two contingencies there is no possible flaw in the title, and the claim will be vigorously resisted."

Streator and Ottawa real estate men don't have much faith in the claims set up.

Pick Ups.

The Democratic club will meet in its headquarters in Cheever's block, Court St., on Monday evening. The most prominent Democratic papers of the county, including the Louisville Courier, Journal, St. Louis Republican, New York World, Washington Post, Chicago Herald, Globe and Times, New York Mercury and Pack, and the Democratic papers of the county, together with other campaign literature.

The Gardner, Coal City and Northern R. R. Company filed articles of incorporation for record last Saturday. The incorporators are Arthur Caton, Russell Whitman, Arthur Towne, Chas. E. Towne and Arthur Wheeler. The road will be built arthur while.

The bartender of the Clifton was "done up" by Stevens, the actor, the other night. They had an altercation in the bar room and Stevens left, but the bartender wanted gone, and followed him to the corner across the way. He will be out in about a week.

A gang of tramps engaged in a wild free fight near the Chapelle Works on Tuesday evening, and one of them named Pulkary was beaten nearly to death. He was not a relative of Parkway.

Expoliceman Lewis Lynch, of Peru, was fined \$50 and costs yesterday morning for mistaking H. A. Butler's house for that of an old acquaintance, the aged tho' still in the ring Anne, and attempted to kick the door down. He had previously been fined \$1 and costs in Peru for insulting the Mayor, and was drowning his unassuaged woe.

Hon. Messrs. Theo. Giere and Mike Looney were taxed by Judge Weeks the other day for keeping open on Sunday. Giere paid \$40 and costs, and Looney \$20 with cream.

A street railway company has been organized in Sterling. Cars will run from Rock Falls, through Sterling and out to Woodlawn mineral springs.

GRIGGS & ALLEN,
Attorneys at Law.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.—ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. MOORE, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in said estate, that the undersigned, Administrators of the estate of said William C. Moore, deceased, will appear before the Probate Court of the county of La Salle and State of Illinois, at the County Court House, in Ottawa, in said county, on Monday, the 14th day of June, A. D. 1888, for the purpose of rendering an account of their proceedings in the administration of said estate for the final settlement.

Dated at Ottawa, this 1st day of May, 1888.
W. C. GRIGGS & ALLEN, Administrators.
Clerk Probate Court, La Salle Co., Ill. may 19 88

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We have just placed on sale a
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IN ALL SIZES,
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We want you to look at this garment. But if you wish finer quality of Underwear, you will find that we keep almost everything that is desirable in Gauze, Merino, French Balbriggan, Colored Ribbed, and Fine Silk, in high neck long sleeves, low neck short sleeves, and low neck no sleeves.

Ladies' and Misses' Pure Silk Mitts
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This is one of the best 25 cent grades in the market.

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These Twins
might have remained
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Spring Revives.

Your thought of it to-day is probably—what is spring clothing like? What is it going to cost?

You are, consciously or unconsciously, looking for the store where you can get it for the least.

Is it that you want the meanest clothing? Not at all. You want the best you can get, and pay as little as you dare.

Here is the store you're seeking.

A new world of designs opens to you in this season's materials. The loom has showered new styles on you! What store has made most of that?

Be observant! See the variety of Spring Suits we have made ready! We'll give you worthy help to getting well dressed.

Take the Spring Oversacks, too! The colors suggest their Spring use and the freedom of choice.

We have done our part of getting them ready with equal zest. We have them without an unnecessary penny's worth of luxury, or silk-lined throughout, or silk-faced. Every one full of style.

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Nearly every style of goods to make-to-measure.

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No. 1926, Vol. VI, American Trotting Register.

Will Make the Season of '88 at the Stock Farm of E. C. Lewis, in Deer Park.

He is a very reddish chestnut, 16 hands and over, foaled May 14, 1882. Bred by J. J. Alexander, "Woodburn Farm," Spring Station, Ky. Record 2:08 1/2, fastest ever made, and winner of the fastest heat ever trotted in a race 2:15. Out of LIZIE WITHERSPOON (dam of Fannie Witherpoon, record 2:16, for one mile, and 2:14 for two miles, fastest in the world for two miles), by George W. Wagner, son of old Wagner, the well known four-mile race horse.

The terms will be \$825, a note to be given at the time of service, payable 3 months after date, with interest at 10 percent if not paid when due, the maker having right to breed some more, his own property of course, until he gets a living foal. Or \$50 to insure a mare in foal, note payable in three months, conditioned on mare being in foal.

No responsibility will be incurred beyond ordinary care.

For further information, call on or address
EDWARD C. LEWIS,
may 19 2 mos. Deer Park, La Salle county, Illinois.

OTTAWA MARKETS.

OTTAWA, ILL., May 18, 1888.

Flour and Feed.

Victor Mills—Silver City, per 100 lbs. \$2.40

Hungarian, per 100 lbs. 2.30

Black wheat, per 100 lbs. 2.20

Feed.

Barley, per 100 lbs. 90

Corn Meal, per 100 lbs. 90

Corn and Oats, ground, per 100 lbs. 1.00

GRAIN AND SEED.

Wheat, # bush, 78 1/2

Rye, # bush, 52

Corn, new, shelled, # 70 1/2

Corn, ear, per 25 lbs. 48 1/2

Oats, 72 lbs. 39 1/2

Timothy Seed, # bush, 2 1/2

Flour.

Potatoes, new, # bush, 1 1/2

Butter, # 20